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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tsuruo, et al.) Group Art Unit 1654
Appl. No. : 09/221,931)
Filed : December 28, 1998)
For : TELOMERASE INHIBITOR)
Examiner : M. Borin)

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
NOTICE OF COMPLY WITH SEQUENCE REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed May 10, 1999. Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:

Please delete the Sequence Listing having page numbers 17 and 18 filed December 28, 1998, and insert the attached substituted pages having page numbers 1 and 2.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 11 as follows:

11. (Twice amended) A method of inhibiting [a] telomerase activity comprising a step of contacting cells exhibiting telomerase activity with a telomerase inhibitor [as claimed in Claim 1] comprising a catechin in an amount effective to inhibit the telomerase activity.

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